

## **"Reflecting (on) the Asia-Pacific: Places, Relations, Systems" - 2017 Conference of Asian Studies on the Pacific Coast (ASPAC)**

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On behalf of the program committee for the 2017 Conference of the Asian Studies on the Pacific Coast (ASPAC) at Willamette University, we invite college and university faculty, K-12 teachers, independent scholars, and graduate and undergraduate students with an interest in Asian or Asian diaspora studies to submit proposals for organized panels, roundtable discussions, individual papers or poster presentations on historical or contemporary topics in the humanities, arts, social sciences, education, health, law, business, environmental sciences or other allied disciplines related to East, South, or Southeast Asia and their diasporas.

Both our Association's name and the Pacific Northwest's image as a North American gateway to trans-Pacific interactions highlight the importance of concepts and discourses of "region-ness", and the ways that the enterprise of Asian studies reflects and reproduces interactions that span geographies, cultures, and histories. We invite papers on all topics, with the hope of stimulating discussions that help us to critically reflect upon, and even de- and re-center, the territorial and temporal frames by which we apprehend Asia. How does our work situate the region in wider conceptual terrains of the study of "world" or trans-territorial history, culture, politics, economics, society, art, language and humanism? How do our concepts of regional "relations," "systems," and "place" inform our work to understand Asia and Asian diaspora, and how might our diverse ideations be brought into dialogue?

When to apply: Early submission and notification: The early application deadline is Friday, December 30, 2016. Early submission is intended mainly for international applicants who need a letter of invitation for visa purposes. For applications received by the early submission deadline, notification of acceptance will be sent by Tuesday, January 31, 2017. If you miss the early submission deadline and need a letter for visa purposes, we will provide you with it as soon as we can.

Regular submission and notification: For regular applicants, the application deadline is Tuesday, February 28, 2017. For applications received by the regular submission deadline, notification of acceptance will be sent by Friday, March 31, 2017.

Extended submission and notification: For applicants who cannot meet the regular deadline, we will continue to accept submissions until Friday, March 31, 2017 and provide notification of acceptance as soon as possible thereafter.

How to apply: Online submission forms can be found at: <http://www.willamette.edu/centers/cas/aspac/CFP/index.html>.  
Questions about applying can be directed to the organizers at [aspac-2017@willamette.edu](mailto:aspac-2017@willamette.edu)

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